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SUBJECT: MTN: ORGANIZATION OF AGRICULTURE GROUP

REF: STATE 103973

1. MTN DEL INFORMED PATTERSON OF STATUS OF US-EC  
CONSULTATIONS ON AGRICULTURE GROUP, PER REFTEL. PATTERSON  
REACTION WAS CONCERN BUT ALSO RECOGNITION THAT ISSUE WAS  
EXTREMELY DELICATE ONE AND MIGHT REQUIRE CONSIDERABLE HIGH  
LEVEL ATTENTION FOR FINAL SETTLEMENT.

2. IMMEDIATE PATTERSON CONCERN WAS WHETHER TO PROCEED  
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WITH SCHEDULED MAY 8 MEETING OF AGRICULTURE GROUP, OR TO

POSTPONE OR CANCEL SAME. HE IS PRESSING FOR ANSWERS TO THREE QUESTIONS: (A) IS ISSUE LIKELY TO BE RESOLVED BY MAY 8? (B) IF NOT, DOES U.S. WISH POSTPONEMENT; (HE IS WILLING TO TAKE INITIATIVE ON THIS IF WE WISH.) (C) IF POSTPONEMENT DESIRED, WHAT IS MINIMUM PERIOD NECESSARY IN U.S. VIEW? WE INDICATED PERSONAL VIEW THAT SCHEDULED MAY 8 MEETING WOULD BE PRODUCTIVE ONLY IF EC ACCEPTED ALL CHANGES PROPOSED BY U.S. OR IF EC MADE NEW SUGGESTIONS ACCEPTABLE TO UNITED STATES. WE EXPRESSED SOME DOUBTS FOR PURELY TECHNICAL REASONS THAT SUCH A SOLUTION COULD BE FOUND PRIOR TO MAY 8.

3. IN REPLY TO PATTERSON'S QUESTION AS TO WHETHER A POSTPONEMENT OF ONE WEEK OR SO OF AGRICULTURE GROUP MEETING WOULD GIVE SUFFICIENT TIME TO RESOLVE THE EC-US CONTROVERSY, WE REPLIED MTN DEL NOT IN A POSITION TO ESTIMATE HOW MUCH TIME WOULD BE REQUIRED BY THAT WE WOULD SEEK WASHINGTON'S ADVICE.

4. PATTERSON ALSO POINTED OUT THAT DELAY OF MORE THAN TWO WEEKS COULD POSSIBLY LEAD TO POSTPONEMENT OF LONDON PREPARATORY MEETING ON GRAIN RESERVES, GIVEN EC POSITION THAT THEIR PARTICIPATION IN LONDON TALKS WOULD BE PREDICATED ON A PRIOR MEETING OF MTN SUBGROUP ON GRAINS.

5. DELEGATION BELIEVES THAT IF US-EC DIFFERENCES CANNOT BE OVERCOME WITHIN NEXT FEW DAYS, IT MAY BE BEST TO WAIT FOR AMBASSADOR DENT'S MEETING WITH SOAMES ON MAY 22. DELAY IN SOLUTION OF PROBLEM TO THAT TIME MIGHT HOWEVER CAUSE POSTPONEMENT OF THE LONDON MEETING SCHEDULED FOR MAY 28 IF EC MAINTAINS ITS CONDITIONS FOR PARTICIPATING IN THAT MEETING.

6. AS OF NOW PATTERSON PLANS TO CONVENE RESTRICTED GROUP OF MAJOR AGRICULTURAL COUNTRIES TUESDAY, MAY 6 AT 3:00 P.M. TO INFORM THEM OF STATUS OF ISSUE AND PROBABLE NEED TO POSTPONE SCHEDULED SESSION.

7. ACTION REQUESTED: MTN DEL RECOGNIZES THAT THE STATE OF WASHINGTON-BRUSSELS DIALOGUE WILL BE GOVERNING LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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IN ANSWERING PATTERSON QUESTIONS PARA 2 ABOVE BUT WOULD APPRECIATE PRELIMINARY GUIDANCE ON ANSWERS ASAP.

8. THIS CABLE DRAFTED PRIOR TO RECEIPT IN BRUSSELS OF EC REPLY TO U.S. PROPOSAL CONTAINED IN REFTEL.HARTZELL

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